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SUBJECT: UNSUCCESSFUL FRENCH INITIATIVE REPORTED IN
PAN-EUROPEAN UNION MEETING

1. FRENCH PRESS AND WIRE SERVICE CARRYING BRIEF
ACCOUNTS, ATTRIBUTED TO THEIR CORRESPONDENTS AT
MARCH 5-6 GENEVA EUROPEAN TRADE UNION MEETING, TO
EFFECT THAT FRENCH COMMUNIST CGT (SEGUY) AND SOCIALIST-
ORIENTED CFTD (MAIRE) PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF PROTECTION
AND EXTENSION TRADE UNION LIBERTIES. INITIATIVE
REPORTEDLY MET WITH OVERWHELMINGLY NEGATIVE RESPONSE;
AND CGT AND CFTD ISOLATED. REPORTS CONFLICT OVER
WHETHER THIS TOPIC WAS TO BE ADDED TO MARCH AGENDA
OR INTENDED FOR MEETING SCHEDULED IN 1979.

2. ACCORDING TO THESE PRESS ACCOUNTS, THE WEST
GERMAN, BRITISH AND SCANDANAVIAN DELEGATES REFUSED
PUBLIC COMMENT; ITALIAN DELEGATION REPORTED TO HAVE
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SAID TIME NOT "RIPE" FOR SUCH DISCUSSIONS, WHICH
IN ANY CASE WOULD REQUIRE LENGTHY ADVANCE PREPARATION,
AND SPANISH SAID TO HAVE CLAIMED TO BE TOO BUSY WITH
THEIR INTERNAL PROBLEMS. EASTERN EUROPEANS DESCRIBED
AS GRATIFIED OVER INITIATIVE'S FAILURE.

3. SOME ACCOUNTS ATTRIBUTE WESTERN UNIONS' REFUSAL

TO SHOW ANY INTEREST IN CGT-CFDT INITIATIVE AS
DUE TO THEIR BELIEF (PASSED ON TO PRESS IN
"CORRIDORS") THAT IT INTENDED TO REALLY SERVE AS A
VEHICLE FOR PROPAGANDA BLASTS AT ALLEGED VIOLATION
OF TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN FRANCE, SPAIN AND WEST
GERMANY.

4. GIVEN ABSENCE OF DISINTERESTED FRENCH SOURCES
WHO ATTENDED GENEVA MEETING WE WOULD APPRECIATE
HEARING OF ANY OTHER DELEGATION'S ACCOUNTS OF THE
CGT-CFDT INITIATIVE, ITS FATE AND THEIR ESTIMATES
OF ITS INTENT.
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